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**MALLIKARJUN KHARGE INAUGURATES STATE OF THE ART ESIC HOSPITAL AT
BHIWADI, RAJASTHAN**

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Shri Mallikarjun Kharge, Union Minister of Labour & Employment inaugurated the 50 bedded state-of-the-art ESIC Hospital at Bhiwadi, Rajasthan today. The Employees State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) is committed to work for the welfare of workers and improvement in their quality of life and for providing all possible social security to them. For providing the best Medical services to the Insured Persons and their families of Bhiwadi area, the ESI Corporation contemplated this 50 bedded ESI Hospital at Bhiwadi. This Hospital will be upgraded from 50 to 100 bedded in near future. At present, there are about 1203 Employers covering about 62,555 employees and 62,673 IPs in the industrial areas of Bhiwadi. This Hospital is a long cherished dream of workers of Bhiwadi area, which has come into reality now.

While inaugurating the Hospital, Shri Kharge also announced that a National Social Security Board will be formed for expansion of the Social Security cover.

The establishment of state-of-the-art hospital at Bhiwadi will immensely help the workers employed in the industrial belt. Around 5.34 lakh employees are working in different factories/establishments in Rajasthan. The multi-speciality hospital has been built up in 6 acres of land with an estimated cost of about Rs. 39.00 crores. The ESI Hospital, Bhiwadi, is unique in its feature which is centrally air conditioned, with multi-specialty facilities. The hospital has all the facilities comparable to any private corporate hospital in the country. It will provide indoor, outdoor, emergency and diagnostic services to the Insured workers of Bhiwadi in particular and of the State of Rajasthan in general. ESI Corporation of late has started providing services to the insured persons through its upgraded and modified hospitals and is also adopting policy for providing medical benefits as per the need and choice of insured persons anywhere in India. The Corporation is also entering into tie-up arrangements with other hospitals on cashless basis. The Corporation itself is bearing the entire cost of super speciality treatment and ensures that no bill from tie up hospital is kept pending. With the passage of time, Corporation has added huge infrastructure and provides benefit through 148 Hospitals, 42 Hospitals Annexes, 1402 ESI Dispensaries, 1540 Panel Clinics, 797 Branch/Pay Offices and 52 Regional/Sub-Regional/Divisional Offices.

Shri Mahadev S. Khandela, Union Minister of State for Tribal Affairs, Master Bhanwar Lal Minister of Primary & Secondary Education, Labour & Employment, Govt. of Rajasthan, Shri Aimaduddin Ahmed 'Duru Miyan' Minister of Medical & Health, Family Welfare, Ayurveda, Medical Education, Govt. of Rajasthan, Shri Mangi Lal Garasia Minister of State for Youth Affairs & Sports (I/C), Primary & Secondary Education, Labour & Employment, Govt. of Rajasthan, and Shri Jitendra Singh, Member of Parliament, Lok Sabha were present on the occasion.

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